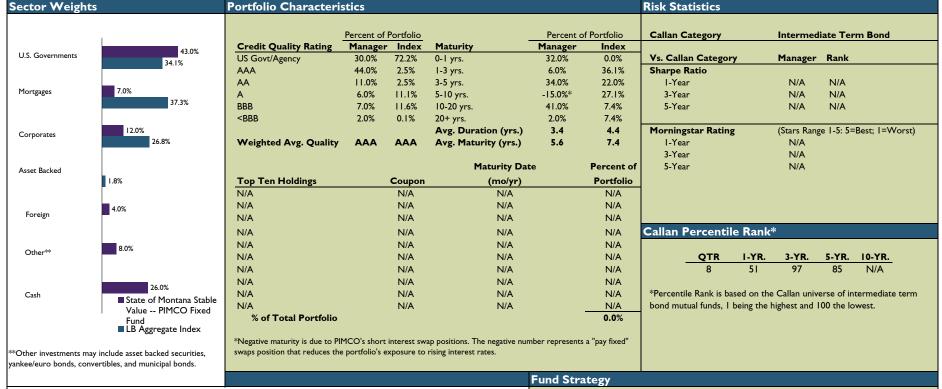
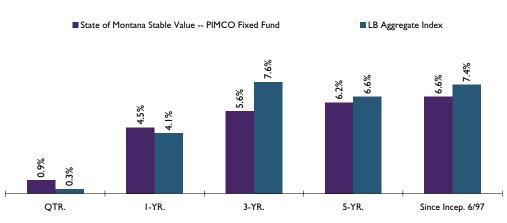
#### State of Montana Stable Value -- PIMCO Fixed Fund





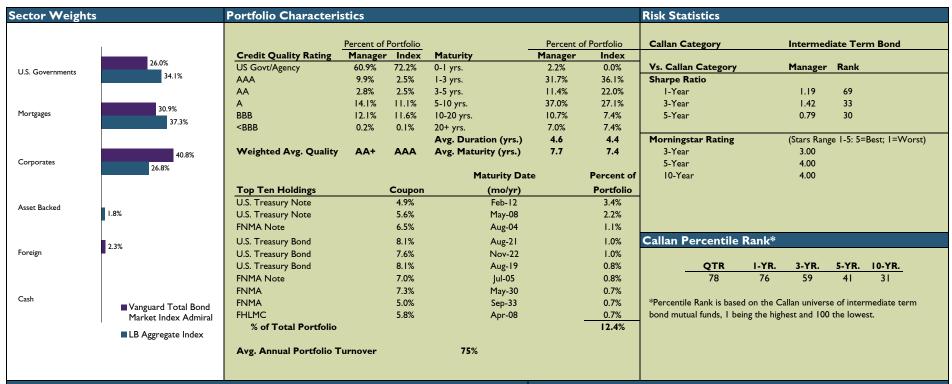
The Fund employs a synthetic stable value strategy where PIMCO manages a diversified bond portfolio and a third party insurer writes an insurance wrapper that resets with a quoted rate of return each quarter. The Board of Investments seeks to provide a rate of return on investments that exceeds the Lehman Brothers Aggregate Bond Index over a five-year period. PIMCO seeks to provide a return on investments that exceeds the Lehman Brothers Intermediate Government/Credit Index + 0.35%.

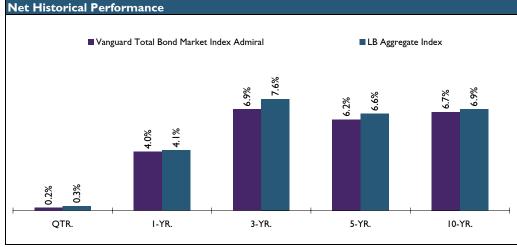
#### **Fund Narrative**

The Fund has lagged the LB Aggregate Index over all time periods. Performance is a direct reflection of the low volatility strategy and is not a concern. Much of the LB Aggregate Index return premium is a reflection of the downward move in interest rates over the last three years. We do not show Sharpe Ratio figures because the lack of volatility produces non-meaningful results. **Recommendation:** Arnerich Massena recommends retaining the Stable Value option and believes it has performed in line with expectations.

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## Vanguard Total Bond Market Index Admiral





#### Fund Strategy

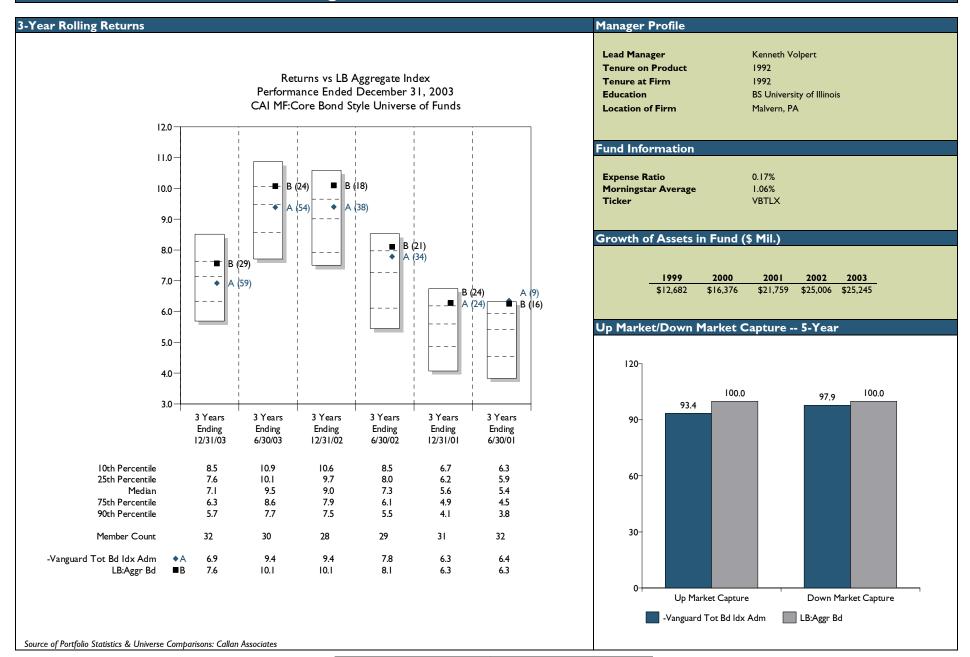
Vanguard Total Bond Market Index seeks to provide investment results that parallel the Lehman Brothers Aggregate Bond Index. The Portfolio is passively administered using sampling techniques designed to keep the Fund's characteristics in line with the Index. The Portfolio employs a "corporate substitution" strategy which underweights I-4 year Treasuries and overweights I-4 year Corporates by 15%. This strategy is expected to enhance the Fund's return by 0.06%-0.09% per year. Performance and Morningstar statistics prior to the Fund's inception are from the investor shares, net of the admiral shares expense ratio.

#### **Fund Narrative**

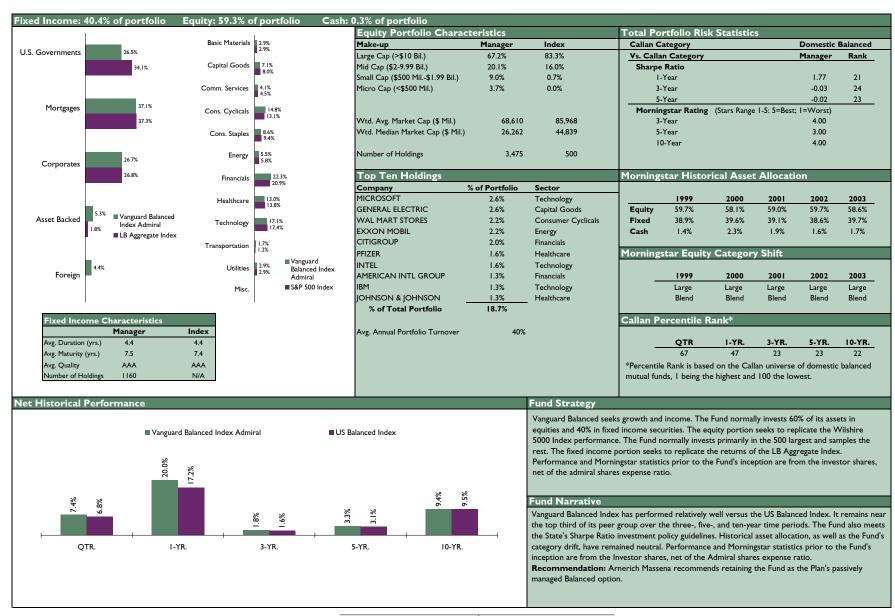
For the year, Vanguard Total Bond Market Index performed in-line with the LB Aggregate Index. Given that the Fund's target Index is devoid of high-yield bonds (the sector that provided the best returns in 2003) it has trailed its more diversely managed peers. Weak short-term rankings have carried into the three-year rankings, and the Fund has fallen below the Plan's Callan group guidelines in the three-year time period. The Fund has met the five-year peer group and Sharpe Ratio investment policy guidelines. **Recommendation:** Arnerich Massena recommends retaining the Fund. Despite underperformance we feel this is a good, low-cost bond market index fund.

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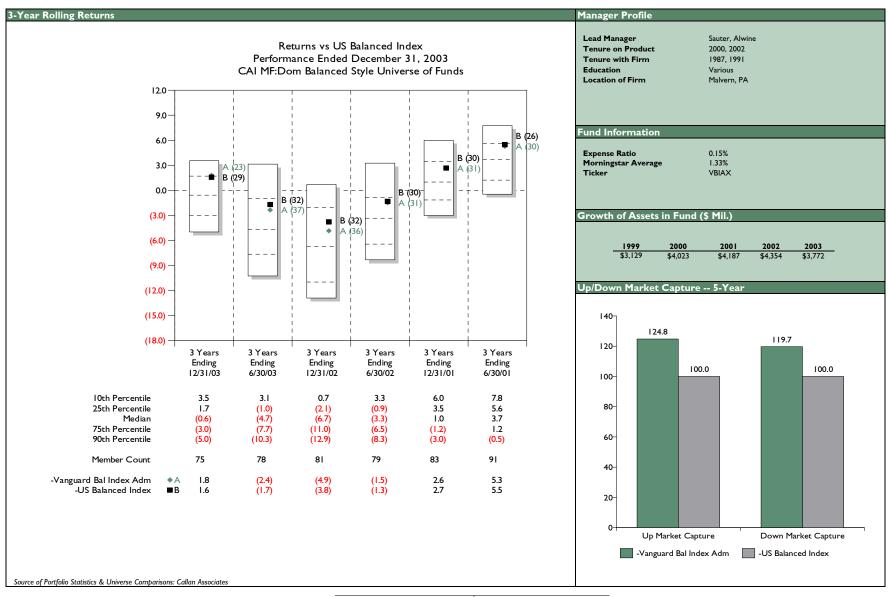


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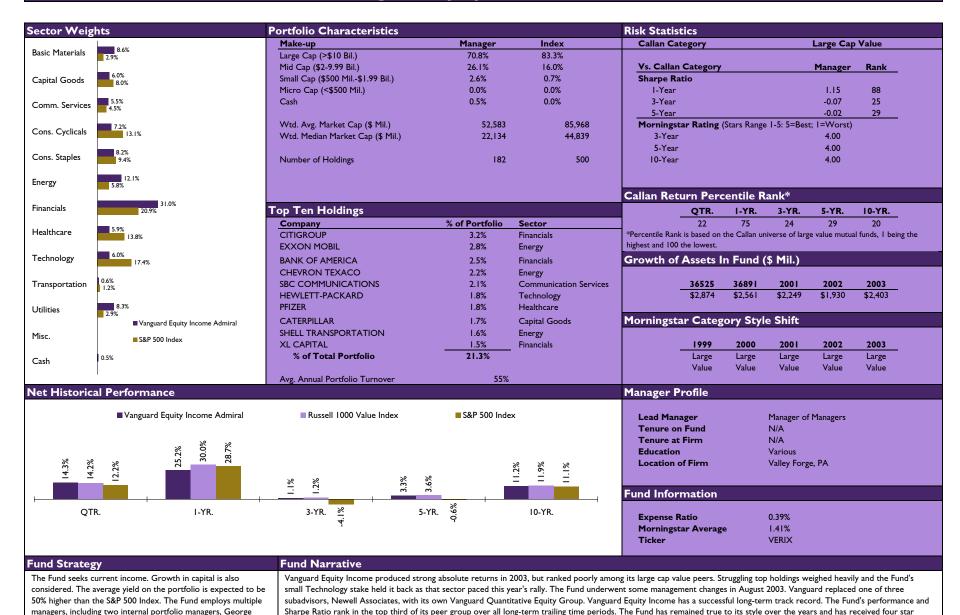
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#### Vanguard Equity Income Admiral



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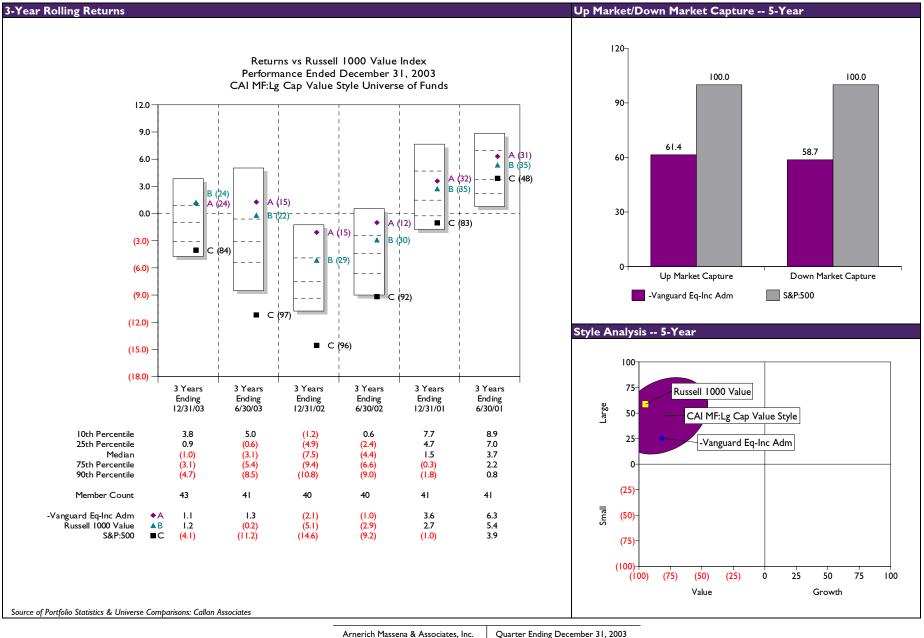
management firms are John A. Levin & Co. and Wellington

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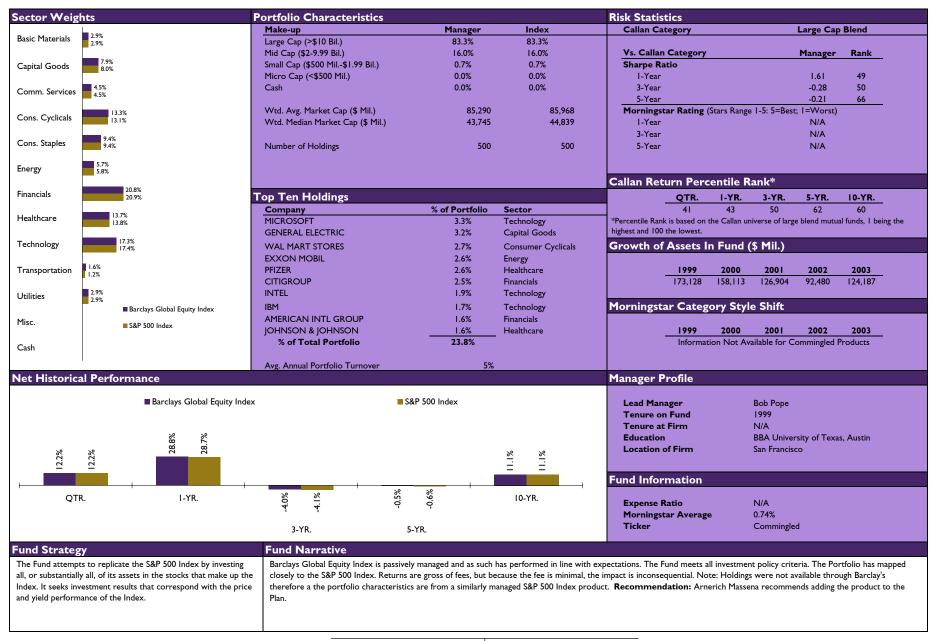
expense ratio. Recommendation: Arnerich Massena recommends retaining Vanguard Equity Income as the Plan's large cap value option.

Morningstar ratings for all periods presented. Performance and Morningstar statistics prior to the Fund's inception are from the Investor shares, net of the Admiral shares

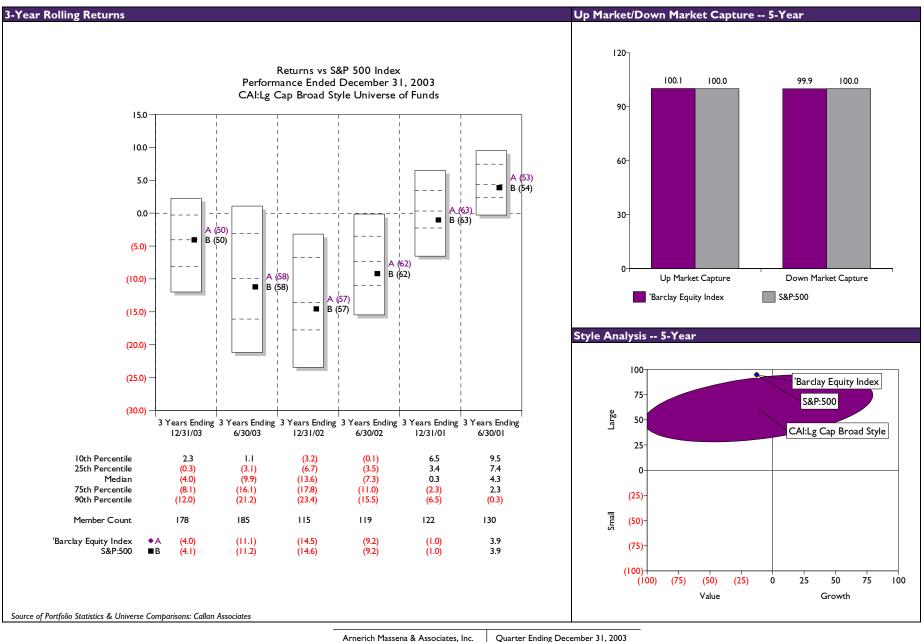
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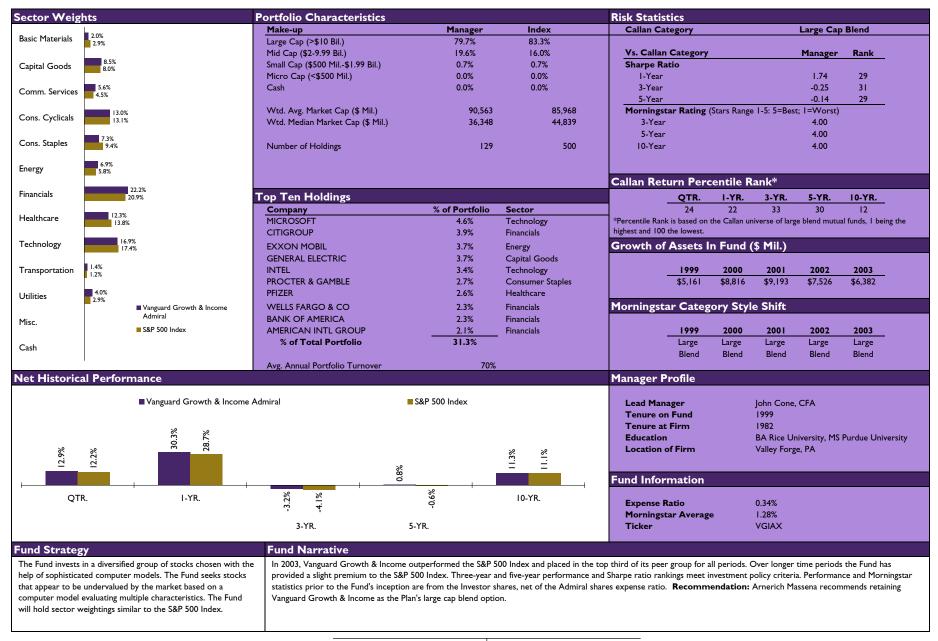


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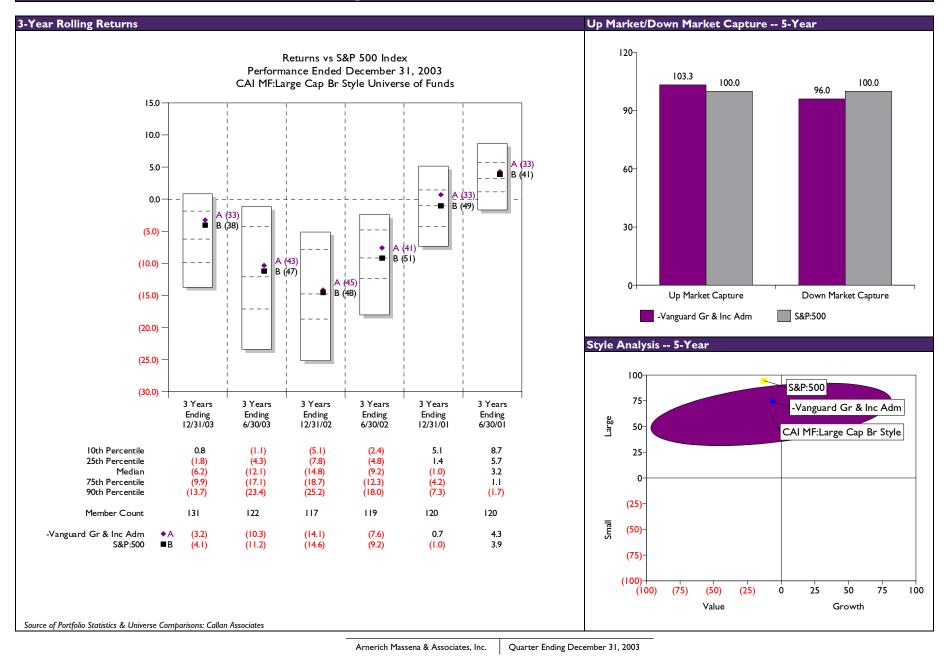


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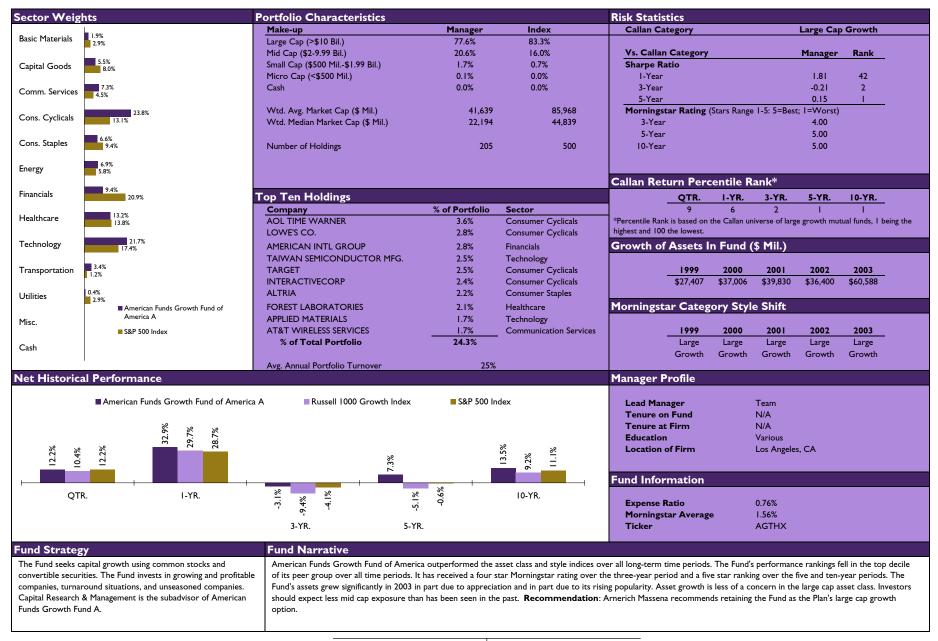
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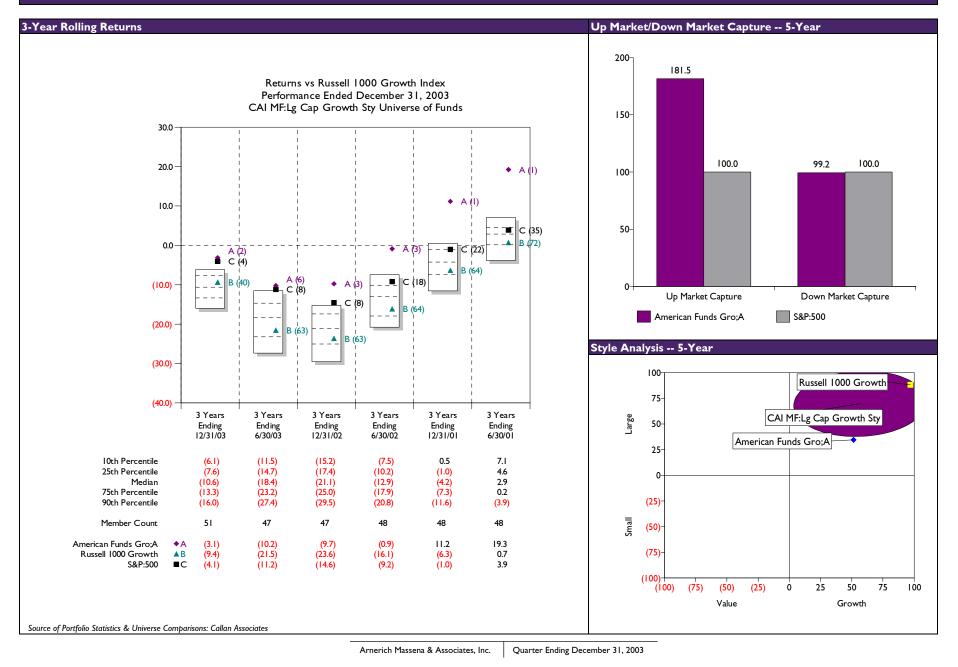
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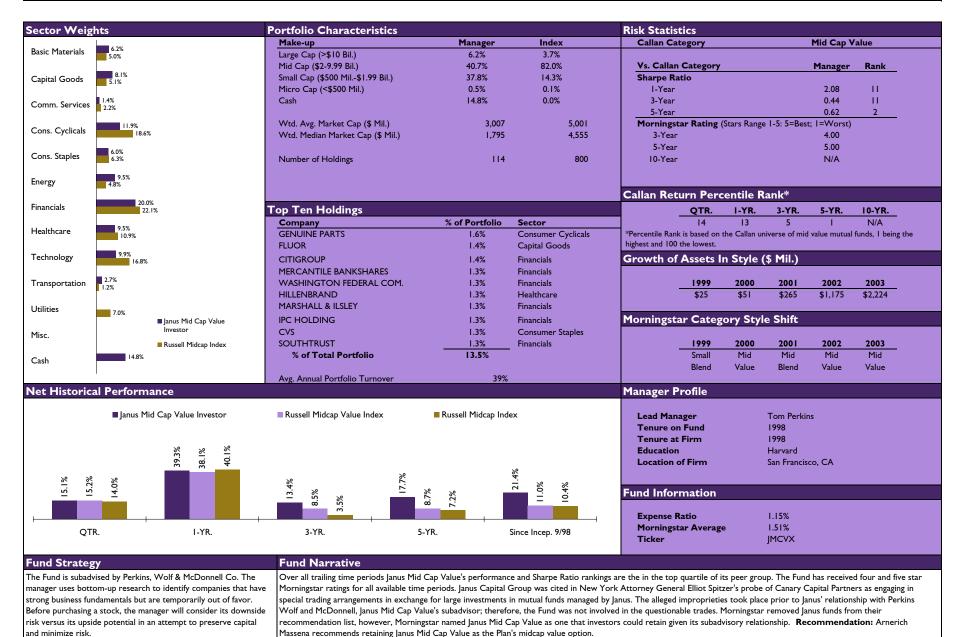
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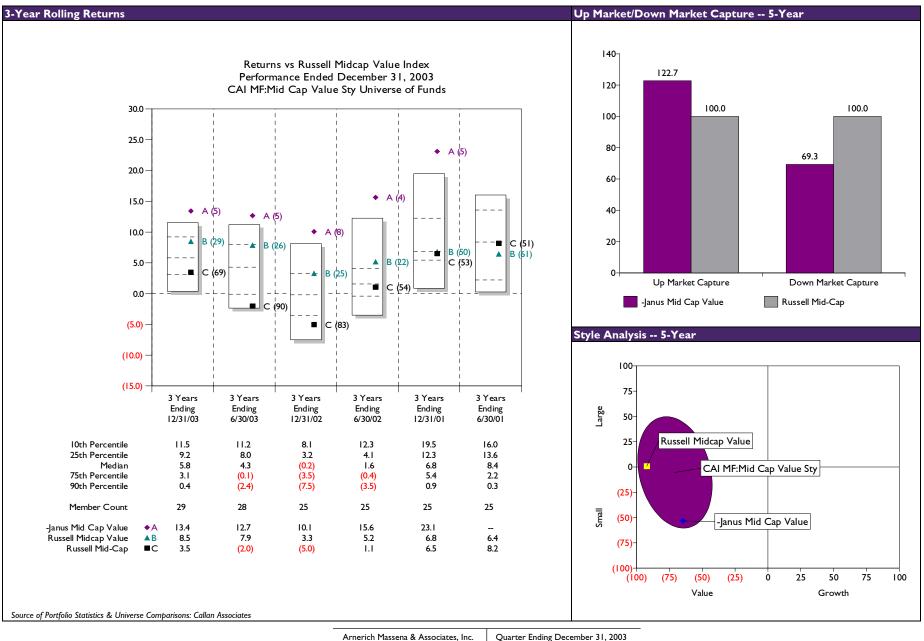


## Janus Mid Cap Value Investor

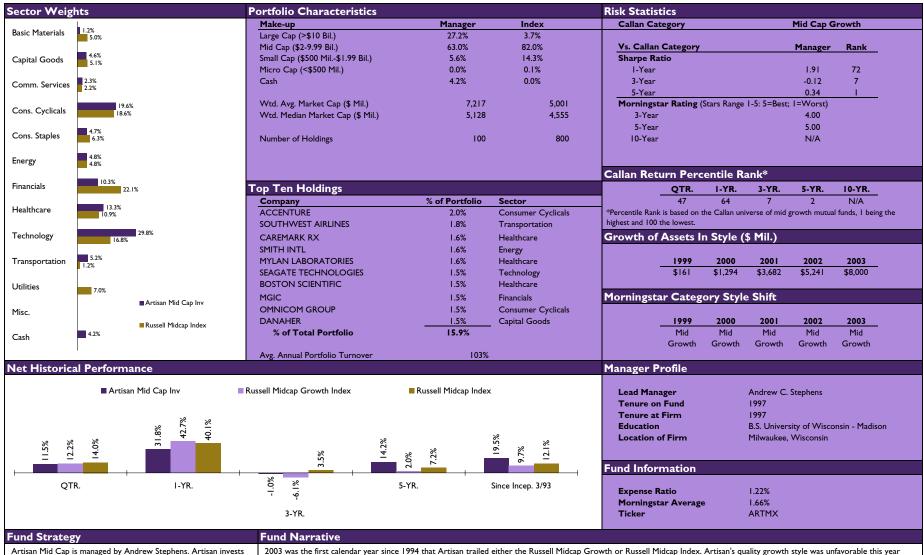


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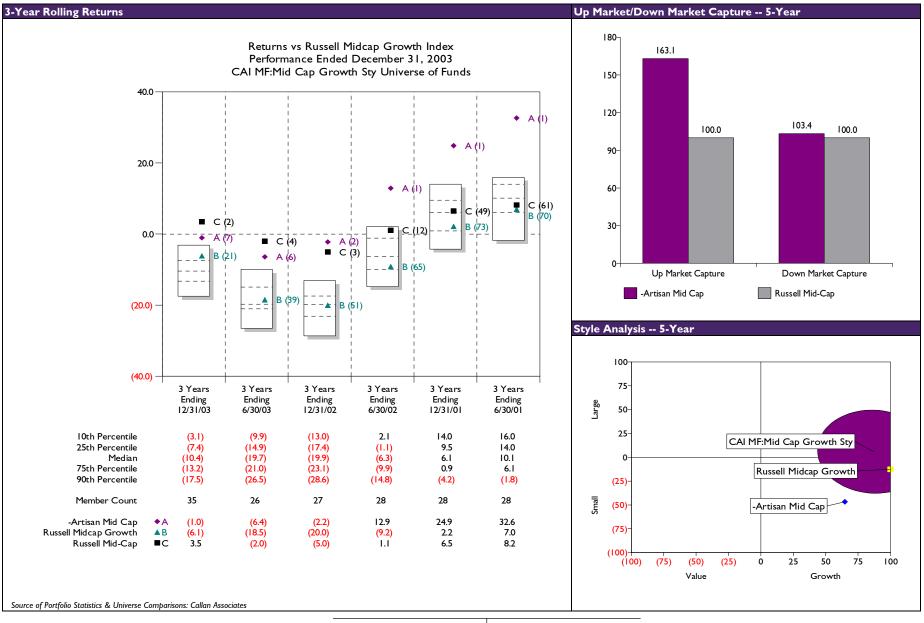


rican rile Cap is managed by Andrew Scephens. Artisan invests in companies in the \$600 million to \$6 billion range that possess franchise characteristics and whose stock is selling at compelling valuations. In-depth intrinsic value analysis is employed to identify potential investment candidates.

2003 was the first calendar year since 1994 that Artisan trailed either the Russell Midcap Growth or Russell Midcap Index. Artisan's quality growth style was unfavorable this year relative to aggressive growth managers. Portfolio Manager Andy Stephens readily admitted that stock selection also contributed to underperformance. The Artisan Mid Cap team spent a significant amount of time reviewing the Fund's underperformance in 2003 and evaluating their process. Overall they made no significant changes; however, they have implemented what they believe to be improvements to the process. Some of these enhancements include a stricter sell discipline and a communication plan that will help improve information flow from the analysts to the portfolio manager. Despite near-term struggles, Artisan remains in the top decile of its peer group over the three-, five-, and ten-year time periods. Long-term Sharpe ratio and Morningstar rankings are strong as well. Performance prior to mutual fund inception date is same style account performance, net of mutual fund fees, managed by Andy Stephens at a previous firm. **Recommendation:** Arnerich Massena recommends retaining Artisan Midcap as the Plan's midcap growth option.

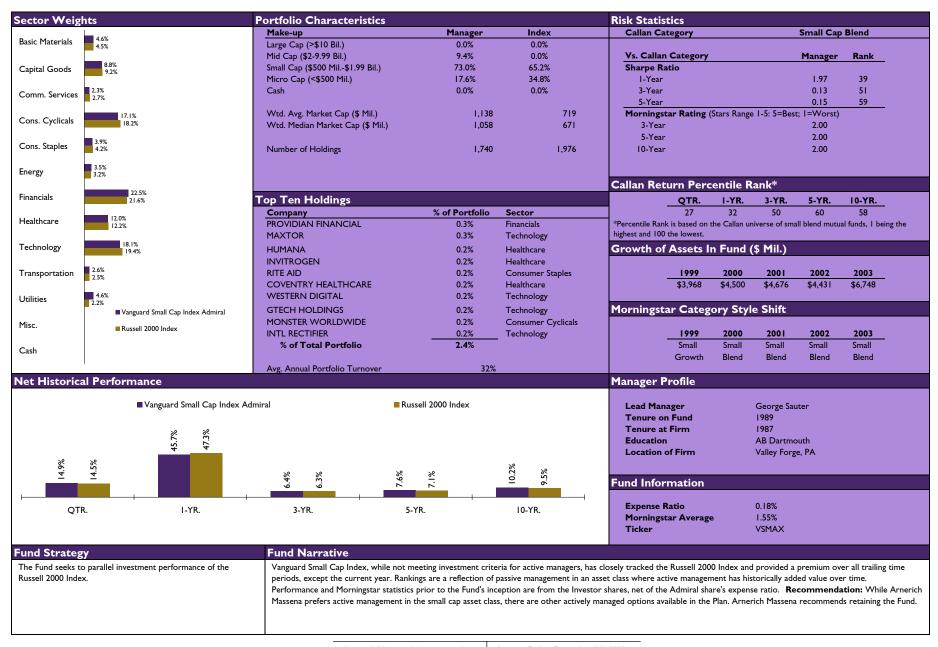
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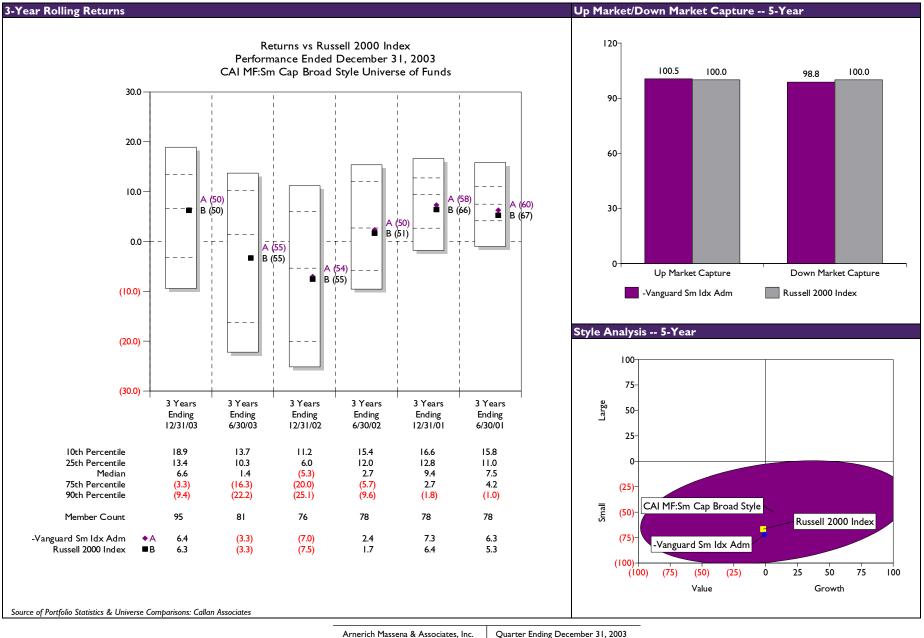


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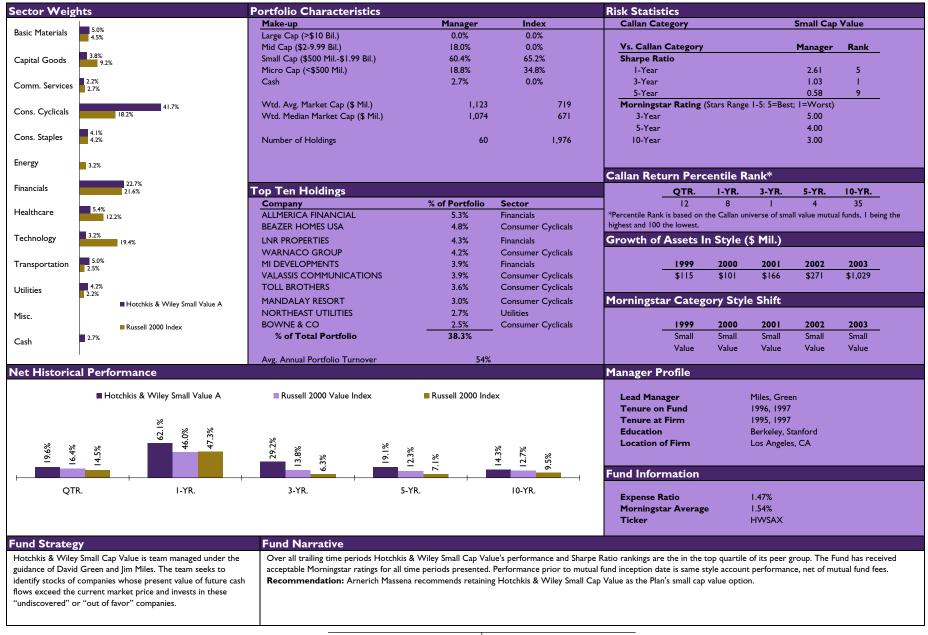
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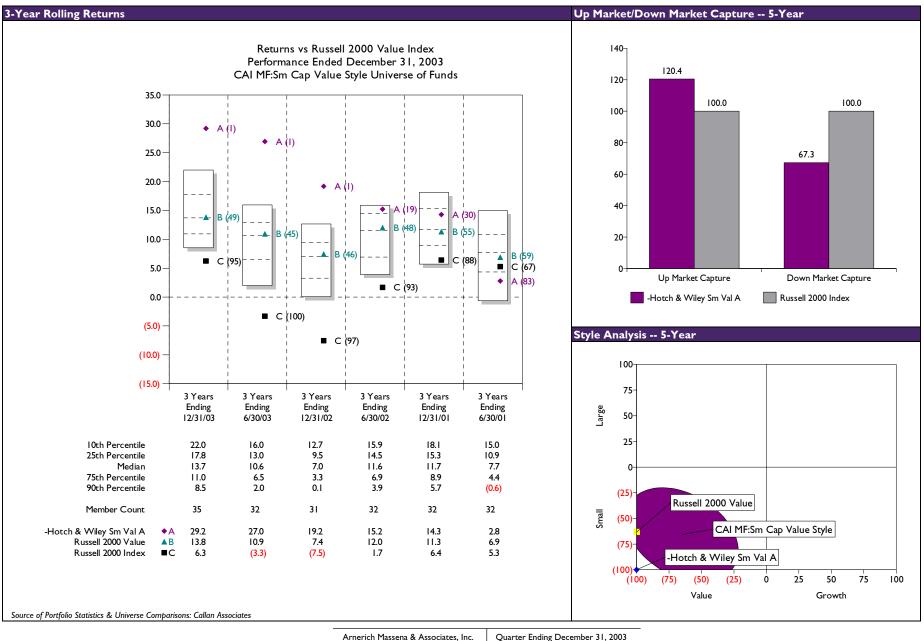


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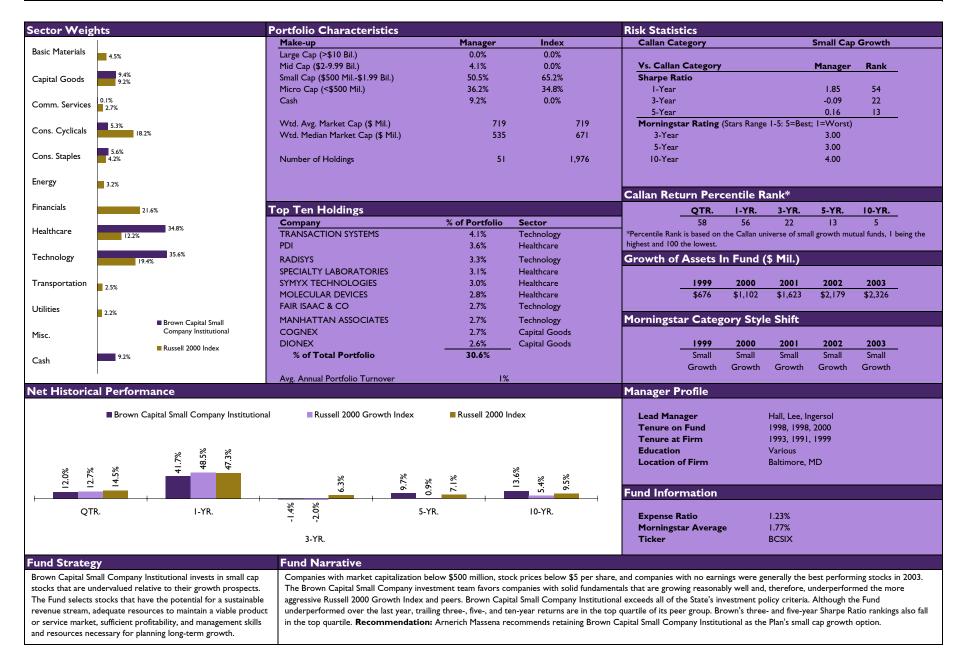


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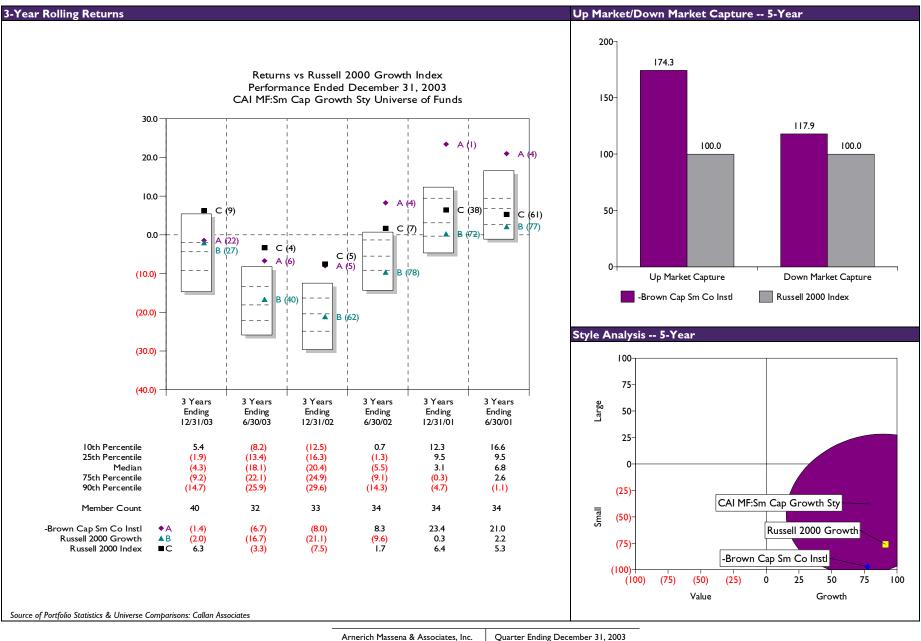
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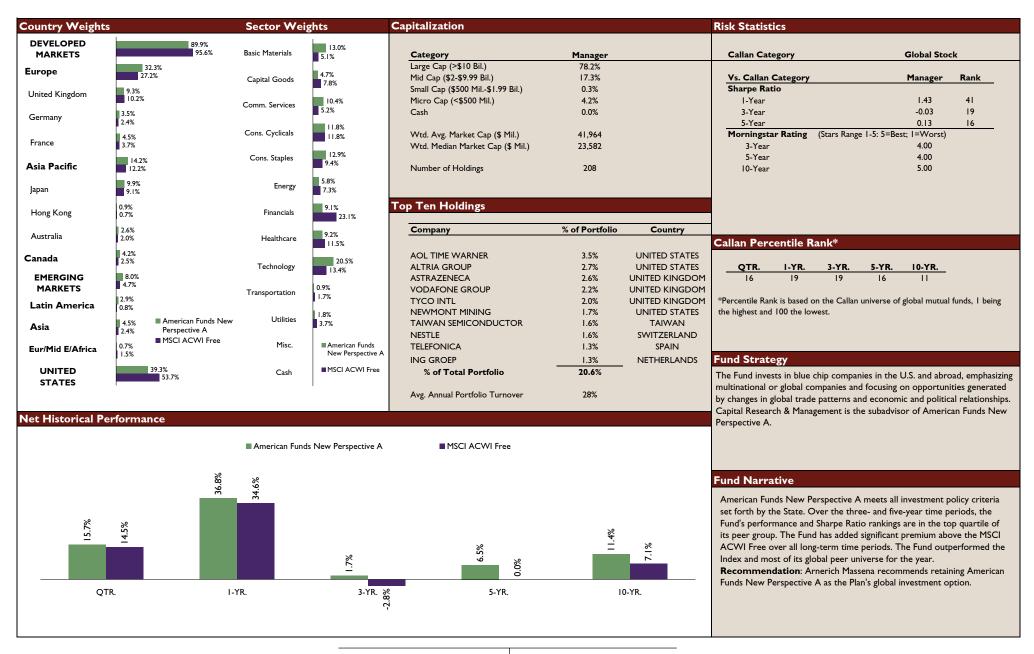
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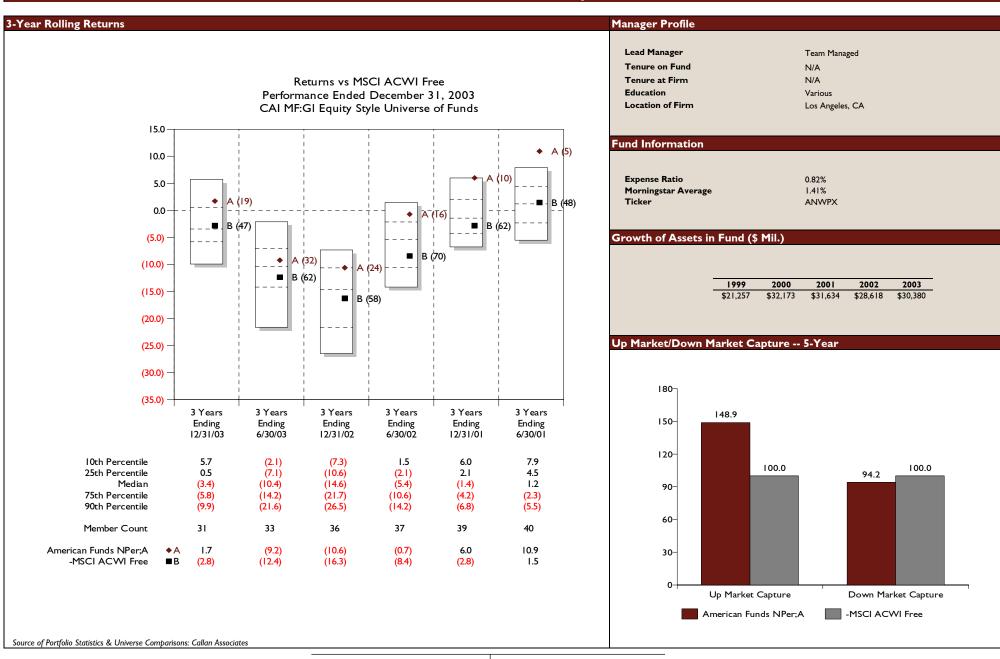


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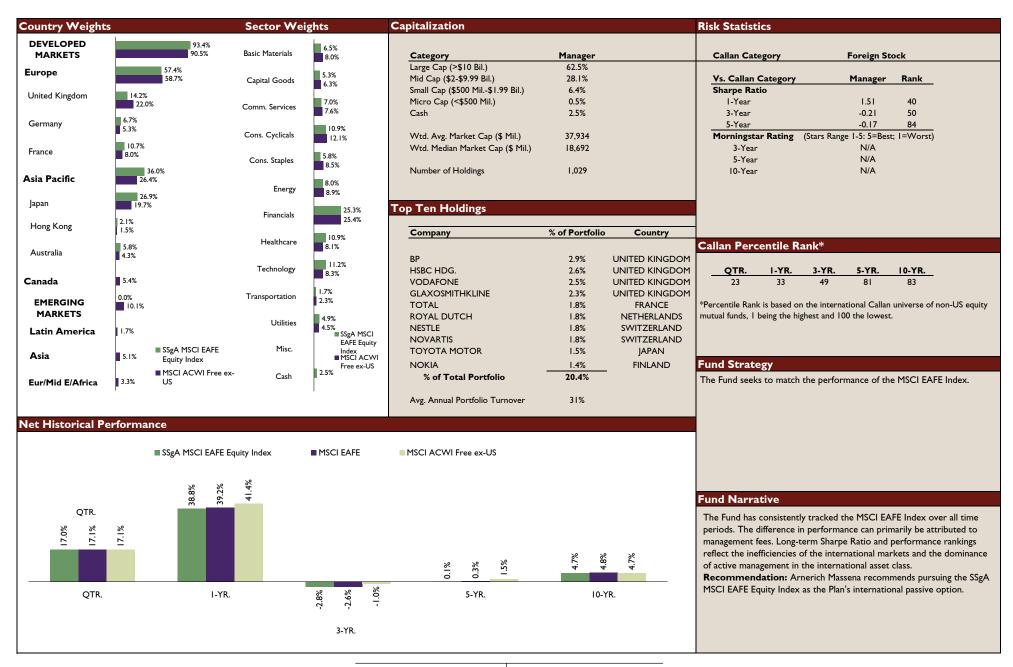
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